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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2016 calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2016** and ending **JUL 1, 2016**

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization: **BUSHWICK ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL**
 Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite: **751 KNICKERBOCKER AVENUE**
 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: **BROOKLYN, NY 11221**

D Employer identification number: **27-2299950**

E Telephone number: **347-294-2500**

F Group Exemption Number: **▶**

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual Other (specify) **▶**

H Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

I Website: **WWW.ASCENDLEARNING.ORG**

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c)(3) 501(c) () (insert no.) 4947(a)(1) or 527

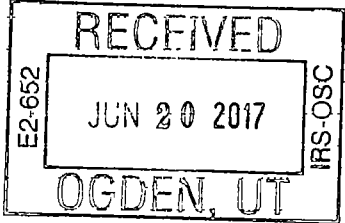
K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. **▶ \$ 0.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I

Revenue	Expenses	Net Assets
1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)
2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	11 Benefits paid to or for members	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)
3 Membership dues and assessments	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)
4 Investment income	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20
5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	
5b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	
5c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	
6 Gaming and fundraising events	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	
6a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)		
6b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)		
6c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events		
6d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)		
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		
7b Less: cost of goods sold		
7c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)		
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8		
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SEE SCHEDULE O

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

	(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	853,569.	22	0.
23 Land and buildings		23	
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O) SEE SCHEDULE O	11,469,421.	24	0.
25 Total assets	12,322,990.	25	0.
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O) SEE SCHEDULE O	11,108,473.	26	0.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	1,214,517.	27	0.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? SEE SCHEDULE O

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

Expenses
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations; optional for others.)

28 SEE SCHEDULE O			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here		28a	
29			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here		29a	
30			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here		30a	
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)			
(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here		31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)		32	0.

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated - see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
STEPHANIE MAUTERSTOCK BOARD CHAIR	0.05	0.	0.	0.
KATHLEEN QUIRK TREASURER	0.05	0.	0.	0.
AMANDA CRAFT SECRETARY	0.05	0.	0.	0.
CHRISTINE SCHLENDORF TRUSTEE	0.05	0.	0.	0.
KWAKU ANDOH TRUSTEE	0.05	0.	0.	0.
ORAL WALCOTT TRUSTEE	0.05	0.	0.	0.
ZELDA WASHINGTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR	0.10	0.	0.	0.
ARIELLA DIAMOND SCHOOL DIRECTOR	0.10	0.	0.	0.

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Sch. O to respond to any question in this Part V **Yes** **No**

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33	X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34	X
35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a	X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b	N/A
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c	X
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a 0.	37a	
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a	X
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	N/A
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter	39a	N/A
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39b	N/A
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0.; section 4912 ▶ 0.; section 4955 ▶ 0.		
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	X
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0.		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0.		
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ NONE		
42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ ANDREW EPSTEIN Telephone no. ▶ (347) 464-7600 Located at ▶ 205 ROCKAWAY PARKWAY, BROOKLYN, NY ZIP + 4 ▶ 11212		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)	42b	X
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	42c	X
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 N/A	43	N/A
44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	X
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b	X
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	X
d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d	
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	X
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b	

46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

Table with Yes/No columns and values 46, X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Sch. C, Part II

Table with Yes/No columns and values 47, X

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

Table with Yes/No columns and values 48, X

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

Table with Yes/No columns and values 49a, X

b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

Table with Yes/No columns and values 49b

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and title of each employee, (b) Average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Reportable compensation, (d) Health benefits, (e) Estimated amount of other compensation. All entries are NONE.

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name and business address of each independent contractor, (b) Type of service, (c) Compensation. All entries are NONE.

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? Note: All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

Table with Yes/No columns and values X, Yes

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here: Signature of Kathleen Quirk, Vice Chair, Date 6/14/17

Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name GARRETT M. HIGGINS, Preparer's signature, Date 6-14-17, Check self-employed, PTIN P00543209, Firm's name PKF O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP, Firm's address 665 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022, Firm's EIN 27-1728945, Phone no. 212-286-2600

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

Table with Yes/No columns and values X, Yes

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2012	(b) 2013	(c) 2014	(d) 2015	(e) 2016	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2016 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2016 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2015 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2016. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations *(continued)*

	Yes	No
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year <i>(see instructions)</i> .		
a <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. <i>Complete line 2 below.</i>		
b <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. <i>Complete line 3 below.</i>		
c <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. <i>Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).</i>		
2 Activities Test. <i>Answer (a) and (b) below.</i>		
a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>	Yes	No
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. <i>Answer (a) and (b) below.</i>		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI) See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.35	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2016	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2016 (reasonable cause required- explain in Part VI) See instructions			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016			
a			
b			
c From 2013			
d From 2014			
e From 2015			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2011 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2016 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2016 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2016, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2016 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI See instructions			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
a			
b Excess from 2013			
c Excess from 2014			
d Excess from 2015			
e Excess from 2016			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b, Part III, line 12, Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c, Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2, Part IV, Section C, line 1, Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3, Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b, Part V, line 1, Part V, Section B, line 1e, Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8, and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6 Also complete this part for any additional information (See instructions)

Lined area for supplemental information.

SCHEDULE E
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Schools

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 13, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 48.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization **BUSHWICK ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL** Employer identification number **27-2299950**

Part I

	YES	NO
1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	X	
2 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	X	
3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more space, use Part II. AS A PUBLIC SCHOOL, SUBJECT TO OPEN ENROLLMENT, THE CHARTER SCHOOL IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE SPECIFIC GUIDELINES SET FORTH IN REV. PROC. 75-50.		X
4 Does the organization maintain the following?		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	X	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		X
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	X	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II. THE SCHOOL DOES NOT OFFER ANY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SCHOLARSHIPS. THE STUDENTS ARE NOT CHARGED TUITION.	X	
5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a Students' rights or privileges?		X
b Admissions policies?		X
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		X
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?		X
e Educational policies?		X
f Use of facilities?		X
g Athletic programs?		X
h Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II		X
6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		X
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" on either line 6a or line 6b, explain on Part II		X
7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain on Part II	X	

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Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2016

SCHEDULE N
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Liquidation, Termination, Dissolution, or Significant Disposition of Assets

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 31 or 32; or Form 990-EZ, line 36.
- ▶ Attach certified copies of any articles of dissolution, resolutions, or plans.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.
- ▶ Information about Schedule N (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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BUSHWICK ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL

Employer identification number
27-2299950

Part I Liquidation, Termination, or Dissolution. Complete this part if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 31, or Form 990-EZ, line 36. Part I can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Description of asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses paid	(b) Date of distribution	(c) Fair market value of asset(s) distributed or amount of transaction expenses	(d) Method of determining FMV for asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses	(e) EIN of recipient	(f) Name and address of recipient	(g) IRC section of recipient(s) (if tax-exempt) or type of entity
CASH	07/01/16	1,123,737	ACTUAL CASH VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
GRANTS & ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	07/01/16	240,972	BOOK VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
PREPAID EXPENSES & DEFERRED CHARGES	07/01/16	158,843	BOOK VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
SECURITY DEPOSITS	07/01/16	16,975	ACTUAL COST	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS	07/01/16	9,771,348	BOOK VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
EQUIPMENT	07/01/16	401,516	BOOK VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)
OTHER FIXED ASSETS	07/01/16	609,599	BOOK VALUE	45-3957158	CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL 9719 FLATLANDS AVENUE BROOKLYN, NY 11236	501(C)(3)

2 Did or will any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization

- a Become a director or trustee of a successor or transferee organization?
- b Become an employee of, or independent contractor for, a successor or transferee organization?
- c Become a direct or indirect owner of a successor or transferee organization?
- d Receive, or become entitled to, compensation or other similar payments as a result of the organization's liquidation, termination, or dissolution?
- e If the organization answered "Yes" to any of the questions on lines 2a through 2d, provide the name of the person involved and explain in Part III

▶ **SEE PART III**

	Yes	No
2a	X	
2b	X	
2c		X
2d		X

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Schedule N (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2016)

Part I Liquidation, Termination, or Dissolution (continued)

- Note:** If the organization distributed all of its assets during the tax year, then Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 16 (Total assets), and line 26 (Total liabilities), should equal -0-
- 3 Did the organization distribute its assets in accordance with its governing instrument(s)? If "No," describe in Part III
- 4a Is the organization required to notify the attorney general or other appropriate state official of its intent to dissolve, liquidate, or terminate?
- b If "Yes," did the organization provide such notice?
- 5 Did the organization discharge or pay all of its liabilities in accordance with state laws?
- 6a Did the organization have any tax-exempt bonds outstanding during the year?
- b If "Yes" to line 6a, did the organization discharge or defease all of its tax-exempt bond liabilities during the tax yr in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and state laws?
- c If "Yes" on line 6b, describe in Part III how the organization defeased or otherwise settled these liabilities. If "No" on line 6b, explain in Part III

	Yes	No
3	X	
4a	X	
4b	X	
5	X	
6a		X
6b		

Part II Sale, Exchange, Disposition, or Other Transfer of More Than 25% of the Organization's Assets. Complete this part if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 32, or Form 990-EZ, line 36. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

1	(a) Description of asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses paid	(b) Date of distribution	(c) Fair market value of asset(s) distributed or amount of transaction expenses	(d) Method of determining FMV for asset(s) distributed or transaction expenses	(e) EIN of recipient	(f) Name and address of recipient	(g) IRC section of recipient(s) (if tax-exempt) or type of entity

2	Did or will any officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization	Yes	No
a	Become a director or trustee of a successor or transferee organization?		
b	Become an employee of, or independent contractor for, a successor or transferee organization?		
c	Become a direct or indirect owner of a successor or transferee organization?		
d	Receive, or become entitled to, compensation or other similar payments as a result of the organization's significant disposition of assets?		
e	If the organization answered "Yes" to any of the questions on lines 2a through 2d, provide the name of the person involved and explain in Part III		

Part III Supplemental Information. Provide the information required by Part I, lines 2e and 6c, and Part II, line 2e
Also complete this part to provide any additional information

PART I, LINE 2E:

STEPHANIE MAUTERSTOCK, KATHLEEN QUIRK, AMANDA CRAFT, KWAKU ANDOH, ORAL
WALCOTT, CHRISTINE SCHLENDORF, ZELDA WASHINGTON AND ARIELLA DIAMOND.

PART I, LINE 2E:

PURSUANT TO A PLAN OF MERGER APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE NEW
YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE CHARTER SCHOOLS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE
UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, AND THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE
ORGANIZATION TRANSFERRED ITS NET ASSETS TO CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL
(EIN: 45-3957158).

STEPHANIE MAUTERSTOCK BECAME BOARD CHAIR OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
KATHLEEN QUIRK BECAME TREASURER OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
AMANDA CRAFT BECAME SECRETARY OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
KWAKU ANDOH BECAME TRUSTEE OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
ORAL WALCOTT BECAME TRUSTEE OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
CHRISTINE SCHLENDORF BECAME TRUSTEE OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION
ZELDA WASHINGTON BECAME SCHOOL DIRECTOR OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION AND
ARIELLA DIAMOND BECAME SCHOOL DIRECTOR OF THE TRANSFEREE ORGANIZATION.

PART I:

ALL LIABILITIES OF BUSHWICK ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL WERE ASSUMED BY
CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL. THESE INCLUDED :

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES AT COST \$1,032,914

DEFERRED REVENUE \$14,203

UNSECURED NOTES AND LOAN PAYABLE AT COST \$8,906,610

DEFERRED RENT \$1,154,746

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
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FORM 990-EZ, PART I, LINE 20, CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES:	AMOUNT:
TRANSFER OF NET ASSETS TO CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL:	-1,214,517.

FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 24, OTHER ASSETS:

DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
PLEDGES AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE	230,217.	0.
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	10,755.	0.
PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES	158,843.	0.
RESTRICTED CASH	270,168.	0.
SECURITY DEPOSITS	16,975.	0.
OTHER DEPRECIABLE ASSETS	10,782,463.	0.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 24	11,469,421.	0.

FORM 990-EZ, PART II, LINE 26, OTHER LIABILITIES:

DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES	977,239.	0.
DEFERRED REVENUE	14,203.	0.
DEFERRED RENT	1,154,746.	0.
DUE TO AFFILIATE	680,834.	0.
OTHER LIABILITIES	4,555.	0.
UNSECURED NOTES AND LOANS PAYABLE	8,276,896.	0.
TOTAL TO FORM 990-EZ, LINE 26	11,108,473.	0.

FORM 990-EZ, PART III, PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE - THE CHARTER SCHOOL'S

MISSION IS TO EQUIP EVERY STUDENT WITH THE KNOWLEDGE, CONFIDENCE, AND

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Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2016)

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CHARACTER TO SUCCEED IN COLLEGE AND BEYOND.

FORM 990-EZ, PART III, LINE 28, PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016, BUSHWICK ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL

MERGED INTO A SINGLE LEGAL ENTITY UNDER CANARSIE ASCEND

CHARTER SCHOOL, WHICH SERVES AS THE SOLE SURVIVING

EDUCATION CORPORATION. PURSUANT TO THE MERGER, CANARSIE ASCEND CHARTER

SCHOOL CHANGED ITS CORPORATE NAME TO ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOLS. BUSHWICK

ASCEND CHARTER SCHOOL DISSOLVED AND CEASED TO EXIST AS A LEGAL ENTITY

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MERGER EFFECTIVE DATE. THE PLAN OF MERGER WAS

APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE CHARTER SCHOOLS

INSTITUTE OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, AND THE NEW YORK CITY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ON MARCH 22, 2016 AND JUNE 13, 2016.

THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER STATES A PROPOSED JULY 1, 2015 EFFECTIVE DATE

IN THE NINTH PARAGRAPH. ALSO, SEE THE PLAN OF MERGER ARTICLE III, #7,

WHICH STATES A PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF MERGER OF THE LATER OF JULY

1, 2015 OR IF APPROVAL COMES LATER, THE DATE OF THE NEXT SUCCEEDING

FISCAL QUARTER. THEREFORE, SINCE THE LAST APPROVAL WAS GIVEN IN JUNE

2016, THE EFFECTIVE DATE WOULD BE JULY 1, 2016.

FORM 990-EZ, PART V, INFORMATION REGARDING PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACTS:

THE ORGANIZATION DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, RECEIVE ANY FUNDS, DIRECTLY,

OR INDIRECTLY, TO PAY PREMIUMS ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.

THE ORGANIZATION, DID NOT, DURING THE YEAR, PAY ANY PREMIUMS, DIRECTLY,

OR INDIRECTLY, ON A PERSONAL BENEFIT CONTRACT.